We claim:

1.   A method comprising:

receiving an image from an image capture device,

in which the image capture device generates an image of an area in

5   which human activity is desired to be substantially nonexistent;

determining information related to the area;

receiving a request for a first user to monitor;

receiving a user identifier;

verifying that the user identifier corresponds to the first user;

10   providing the first user with the image;

receiving a response to the image by the first user, in which the response

comprises an indication that a human is present in the image;

providing additional users with the image;

receiving responses to the image by the additional users;

15   evaluating the received responses;

determining, based on the information related to the area, an entity to

notify; and

notifying the entity.

20   2.   The method of claim 1, in which the step of

determining information related to the area;

comprises

receiving a unique identifier from the image capture device;

accessing a record in a database using the unique identifier; and

25   determining, from the record, contact information for the area.

3.   The method of claim 1, in which

providing the first user with the image;

comprises

30   transmitting the image to an internet protocol address which is

based on the first user.

4.   The method of claim 1, in which

providing the first user with the image;

comprises

5   posting the image on a Web site.

5.   A method comprising:

receiving a request for a first user to monitor;

verifying the first user;

10   providing the first user with an image of an area in which human activity is

desired to be substantially nonexistent;

receiving a response to the image by the first user; and

evaluating the received response.

15   6.   The method of claim 5, in which the step of

verifying the first user

comprises

receiving an identifier; and

determining that the identifier identifies a prior registration.

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7.   The method of claim 5, further comprising:

determining an attentiveness of the first user.

8.   The method of claim 7, in which the step of

25   determining an attentiveness of the first user

comprises

requesting that the first user respond to a false positive.

9.   The method of claim 8, in which

30   requesting that the first user respond to a false positive

comprises:

providing the first user with a false positive image;

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receiving a response to the false positive image by the first user;

10. The method of claim 9, further comprising:

determining whether the response to the false positive image indicates that

5   a human is present in the image.

11. The method of claim 7, in which the step of

determining an attentiveness of the first user

comprises

10   determining a reaction time of the first user.

12. The method of claim 5, further comprising:

selecting the first user from a plurality of users.

15   13. The method of claim 12, in which the step of

selecting the first user from a plurality of users

comprises

selecting the first user from the plurality of users based on the

image.

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14. The method of claim 5, further comprising:

providing at least one additional user with the image.

15. The method of claim 14, in which the step of

25   providing at least one additional user with the image

is performed based on the response to the image.

16. The method of claim 14, in which the step of

providing at least one additional user with the image

30   comprises:

determining, based on the response to the image, a number;

selecting a plurality of additional user, in which the cardinality of

the plurality is at least the number; and

    providing the plurality of additional users with the image.

5   17.   The method of claim 5, further comprising:

            determining a response time in receiving the response to the image.

     18.   The method of claim 5, in which the response is one of:

            an indication that a human is present in the image,

10   an indication that no human is present in the image, and

            an indication of uncertainty whether a human is present in the image.

     19.   The method of claim 5, in which the step of

                evaluating the received response

15   comprises

                determining, based on the received response, whether to notify an

entity.

     20.   The method of claim 5, in which the step of

20   evaluating the received response

     comprises

                initiating a telephone call to a predetermined telephone number.

     21.   The method of claim 5, further comprising:

25   adjusting a rating of the first user based on the received response.

     22.   The method of claim 5, further comprising:

            compensating the first user.

30   23.   The method of claim 22, in which the step of

                compensating the first user

     comprises

compensating the first user based on the received response.